

# Glendale's Social-Emotional Team News

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Happy New Year, Glendale Families!

We hope that you and your families were safe during the blizzard, and were able to relax and enjoy family time over the winter break.

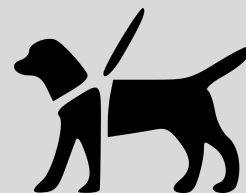
Happy  
New Year!

Please join us this Friday, January 6th at 6:00 p.m. in the High School gymnasium for the Sweet Home Education Foundation (SHEF) Staff Basketball Game. Come cheer on the Glendale players as we team with Heritage Heights vs. Maplemere and Willow Ridge to raise funds for SHEF's initiatives. Please see the attached flyers for more information.

Social-Emotional Learning (SEL) lessons in the classroom will continue for all grade levels. The lessons will utilize the Second Step curriculum, among other resources. Second Step is an SEL program that covers the following units: Skills for Learning; Empathy; Emotion Management; and Problem-Solving Skills. It also covers Fair Ways to Play for our youngest learners. These lessons will continue throughout the coming months. Please contact Mrs. Kawa with any questions.

The Glendale Therapy Dog program is in full swing, and the students and staff are loving the visits with our gentle, furry friends!

Thank you to our dogs and their handlers, and to Mrs. Pinkowski from the High School for bringing this program to Glendale. A big thank you also to Miss Ciezki for making sure this runs smoothly at Glendale, and to the students on the Paw Patrol for their leadership in getting the therapy dogs to their scheduled locations within the school!



Thank you to all families and staff that donated to our annual hat and mitten drive. We received a great amount of donations for distribution within our community. Thank you also to the Glendale PTA for your generous donation to go toward additional hats and mittens.



We are available daily to help with any needs that may arise. We are also available for short-term, solution-focused individual counseling to address issues that may be affecting the school day. Please reach out if you need anything at all. Additional assistance, such as long-term counseling in the community, is available through the Sweet Home Family Support Center (FSC). Please contact us if we can be of assistance in making a referral to the FSC for outside counseling, family assistance resources, or other concerns. The FSC may also be reached directly at (716) 250-1229.



There is no school on  
Monday, January 16th,  
in recognition of Martin Luther King Jr. Day



Numerous parent support programs are offered in the community throughout the year. Please see the following pages for flyers for upcoming programs.

Rescheduled date due to the November snow days - please join us and cheer on our Glendale players as we support the Sweet Home Education foundation (SHEF)

JOIN US FOR THE ANNUAL

*Sweet Home*

**FACULTY & STAFF**

**BASKETBALL GAME**



**FRIDAY  
JANUARY 6TH**

Sweet Home High School  
Main Gym  
1901 Sweet Home Rd.



**6PM DOORS OPEN  
6:30PM GAME**

**CHEER ON YOUR FAVORITE  
BUILDING TEAM!**

**GAME 1 - MAPLEMERE & WILLOW RIDGE VS.  
GLENDALE & HERITAGE HEIGHTS**

**GAME 2- MIDDLE SCHOOL/READY ACADEMY  
VS. HIGH SCHOOL**

**CONCESSIONS!  
BASKET RAFFLE!  
HALF TIME FUN!  
\$1 FREE THROW  
COMPETITION**



**SWEET HOME  
EDUCATION  
FOUNDATION**



**\$2 Admission**

All proceeds benefit the mission of SHEF, Inc. to enhance the educational experience of students in the Sweet Home Central School District by offering enrichment in all areas.



# **SHEF FACULTY**



# **BASKETBALL TEAMS!**

**Glendale  
&  
Heritage Heights**  
Dibble, Gravel,  
DeLaPlante, Dunstan,  
Calandra, Mislin,  
Perry, LiCausi, Scholl,  
Miranda

**VS.**

**Maplemere  
&  
Willow Ridge**  
Ryan, Andriatch,  
Taboni, Wills,  
Wawrzyniak, Polino,  
Ruggiero, Johel,  
Barbalate, Giese,  
Chatt

**High School**  
Becker, Koziol,  
LaRoach, Schultz,  
Martin, Morton,  
Jones, Bailey,  
Miranda, Woloss,  
Hammonds

**VS.**

**Middle School**  
Flowers, Wall,  
Shepherd, Newman,  
Montalbo, Dauria,  
Brennan, Freda,  
Scheer, Woods,  
Monaco, Smith



**JANUARY 6TH AT 6PM**

**Come cheer on your teachers at our  
faculty basketball game!**

The Weekend Backpack Food Program, sponsored by the Sweet Home Education Foundation (S.H.E.F.) and in partnership with FeedMore WNY, assists Sweet Home families with non-perishable food items on the weekends. Please contact Mrs. Kawa if you would like to be included in this program.



# SWEET HOME EDUCATION FOUNDATION

[sweethomefoundation.org](http://sweethomefoundation.org)

**SHEF, Inc. is a 501c3 dedicated to helping Sweet Home families and their children.**

## **Weekend Backpack Food Program**

**Assist families with non-perishable food items on the weekends**

## **Mini-Grant Program**

**Fund innovative ideas from staff to support students**

### **Our SHEF, Inc. Team**

#### **Board Officers:**

**President: Lisa LaBrake  
Vice-President: Kelli Bogacz  
Treasurer: Don Feldmann  
Secretary: Darcy Spengler**

**District Admin Rep:  
Mike Ginestre**

#### **Board Members:**

**Dave Bastian  
Bruce Corris  
Debra Coniglio  
Anthony Day  
Jenna DePasquale**

**Board of Ed Rep:  
Josh Feldmann**

## **Sponsor a Musician Program**

**Provide support for instruments and supplies for students who cannot afford to participate in music**

## **Other Initiatives...**

- **Athlete snack program**
- **Styluses for every student**
- **Book donation for K-5 students**

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Amherst, NY 14226  
716-250-1605**

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**SHEF Twitter: <https://twitter.com/SweetHomeEF>**

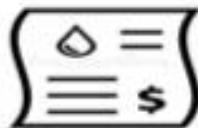
**SHEF Facebook:**

**<https://www.facebook.com/sweethomefoundation/>**



**Are your children in need of winter  
clothing?**

**PLEASE CONTACT  
THE SWEET HOME FAMILY SUPPORT CENTER  
716-250-1229**



**Having trouble paying for utilities and other household  
bills? There may be assistance available.**

**Visit:**

[https://www.needhelppayingbills.com/html/erie\\_county\\_assistance\\_program1.html](https://www.needhelppayingbills.com/html/erie_county_assistance_program1.html)

**For information about a variety of programs in Erie County  
or**

<https://www2.erie.gov/temporaryassistance/emergency-services>  
**For Erie County Dept of Social Services Emergency Services**



**Ronald McDonald  
House Charities®**  
of Western New York

Glendale is very happy to continue our support of the Ronald McDonald House Charities of Western New York Pull Tab Program.

Aluminum pull tabs from beverage cans are collected and donated. Pull tabs are weighed and recycled, and the monetary value of the aluminum is matched by Niagara Metals. The donations help to purchase items for the Ronald McDonald House and Family Lounge. The Ronald McDonald House in Buffalo allows out-of-town families with children in a local hospital to have a place to stay during the child's hospitalization.




There is not a deadline for this program - pull tabs may be dropped off throughout the school year.

Pull tabs can be dropped off to Mrs. Kawa's room in the Glendale school office. Please donate just the pull tabs. Thank you!



The Prevention Council regularly offers its Triple P Program (Positive Parenting Program). Please see the flyer for contact information.



-  [casmith@thepreventioncouncil.ec.org](mailto:casmith@thepreventioncouncil.ec.org)
-  716-831-2298 ext. 115
-  [thepreventioncouncil.ec.org](http://thepreventioncouncil.ec.org)



Parents will learn techniques to prevent problems, overcome obstacles, and promote their child's development, social competence and self-control.

# Free Convenient Evidence Based

COMPLETION  
CERTIFICATES  
AWARDED

Triple P Primary Care: Parents of children age 0-12  
Triple P Teen: Parents with teens age 12-18

Five 2 hour weekly sessions (group and/or individual)  
Tuesday 9:30-11:30am (flexibility upon request)

PROGRAM FORM



Call or Email Us Today for More Information